

ACCESSIONS

WAYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INCORPORATED 1954

Shaw Room in Wayland Public Library

February 1954 July 1957

Heard House
Old Sudbury Road
July 11, 1957

Moved to Original Site
Tuesday, April 24, 1962

Mabel S. Draper Curator 1954 1964

Material received from Trustees of Wayland Public Library at time of incorporation of the Wayland Historical Society February 1954.

Material in Envelopes sorted by Mrs. Emily Blair

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1. Book by Louisa May Alcott "Hospital Sketches" 1863

2. Cards that were on things in show case (minerals, etc.)

3. Letters

Lydia Maria Child 18631879

Thacher Clark 1787 1790

Hobomok [note in margin]

The Rebels of [?] Revolution, relationship through J.S.Drapers ____ p.33 Sudbury V.R.
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4. Appointments by Comm. of Mass. Sylvester Reeves as Justice of the Peace, March
7, 1856

The Rev. John B. Wight as Chaplain of Militia, April 23, 1816

5. Historical Papers written by Alfred W. Cutting

"Secession of the Trinitarians from the First Parish 1828"

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"A Discourse Occasioned by the Death of Stephen Sewell", by Jonathan Maythew

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9. Pamphlets

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10. Heard Family Ancestry

Birthplace of Farrar Family

11. Will of Ebenezer Hubbard 1755

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13. Wayland Library Minutes of Meeting 1865

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14. Wayland Library Friends of Newspaper Clippings

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Clipping from Wayland Gazette 1928
(a tribute to Miss Margaret Wheeler)

Clipping opening of Lake Cochituate

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Boston Herald 1852 Box A
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Ulster County Gazette 1800 Box D

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Daily Places Times & Transcript 1855 Box A
The Weekly Oregonian 1855 Box A
The Massachusetts Ploughman 1878 Box B
Daily Evening Traveler 1881 Box B
Wayland Enterprise 1926
Waltham News Tribune 1930 (sesquicentennial year of Wayland) Box C

22. Old Farmers Almanac 1823, 1901

23. Photographs of some Wayland families Allen, Heard, Wight, Somerby, Dam

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Quarter Millenial Celebration of the Incorporation of the Towns Sudbury and Wayland 1891
 A Circular by Alfred S. Hudson 1891

Notice of forthcoming book, Annals of Sudbury, Wayland and Maynard

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27. Material transferred to box of books in vault.

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Part of a diary of Dr. Roby while serving as surgeon under Gen. Abercrombie against Ticonderoga 1758

32. Accounts of Dr. Roby

33. School Committee Reports 1844 through 1864

34. School Committee Reports 18651876, 1898

35. School Graduation 1911

Fourth of July Field Day 1911

Fourth of July Celebration 1865

Concert Ticket 1886

Memorial Day Address of William Raymond 1923

36. School Data

Attendance Records 1835

36. Town of Wayland Register 184041

Photographs of 1st class to graduate 1889

Mass. School Returns 1836

37. Sermons by

- The Rev. Jude Damon, Nov. 1786
- The Rev. William Harris, Jan. 1796
- Pamphlets
- Mr. Welch, Dec. 1801
- Mr. Timothy Alden, 1801
- Mr. Samuel Kendal Feb. 1795

38. Pamphlets

- SermonDiscourse by Mr. William Torrey, 1757
- Discourse on Drunkenness by S.Badger, Natick, 1773
- Daniel Webster's Address at Bunker Hill, 1825
- "Answer to 6 months in a Convent", 1835

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- Attendance Records 1834, 184041
- Copy of School Regulations, 1818
- School CommitteeSecretary Records 1850, 1875

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- Miss Mary A.Heard's Paper, Oct. 1920
- "Our Old Church"

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- Discourse re death of Gen. Alexander Hamilton
delivered in Albany, N.Y., 1804
- Discourse by Edmund H. Sears, 1857 (1856?)
- SemiCentennial of Trinitarian Church, 1878
- Poem by Susan Bullard, 1919, re Soldiers' Welcome Home
- Address delivered by Capt. Nathan Hale, 1881, in Groton, Conn.

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- by Charles Turner, May, 1783, at the installation of the Rev. Luther Wright in
Needham, Mass., 1817

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- Given by Josiah Bridge on the day of general election at East Sudbury, 1789

Given at death of Josiah Bridge, 1801 by Moses Adams

45. Pamphlet

Town Hall Dedication Proceedings, 1878

Historical Data on town: Library, Schools, Churches

46. Town of Wayland Voting List, 1839 (1939?)

47. Wayland Improvement Association 1911 (copy of bill to legislature)

Wayland Park and Playground Association

Wayland Society of Arts & Crafts 1905

48. Town of Wayland Reports

Valuation of Real Estate 1850, 1860

Valuation of Whole Town 1880, 1881

Report of Allen Fund 1866

49. Town of Wayland Map 1870

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Ordination & Installation of Herbert Mott, 1886

Sermon by Chandler Robbins commemorating the Rev. Edmund H. Sears, Weston, 1876

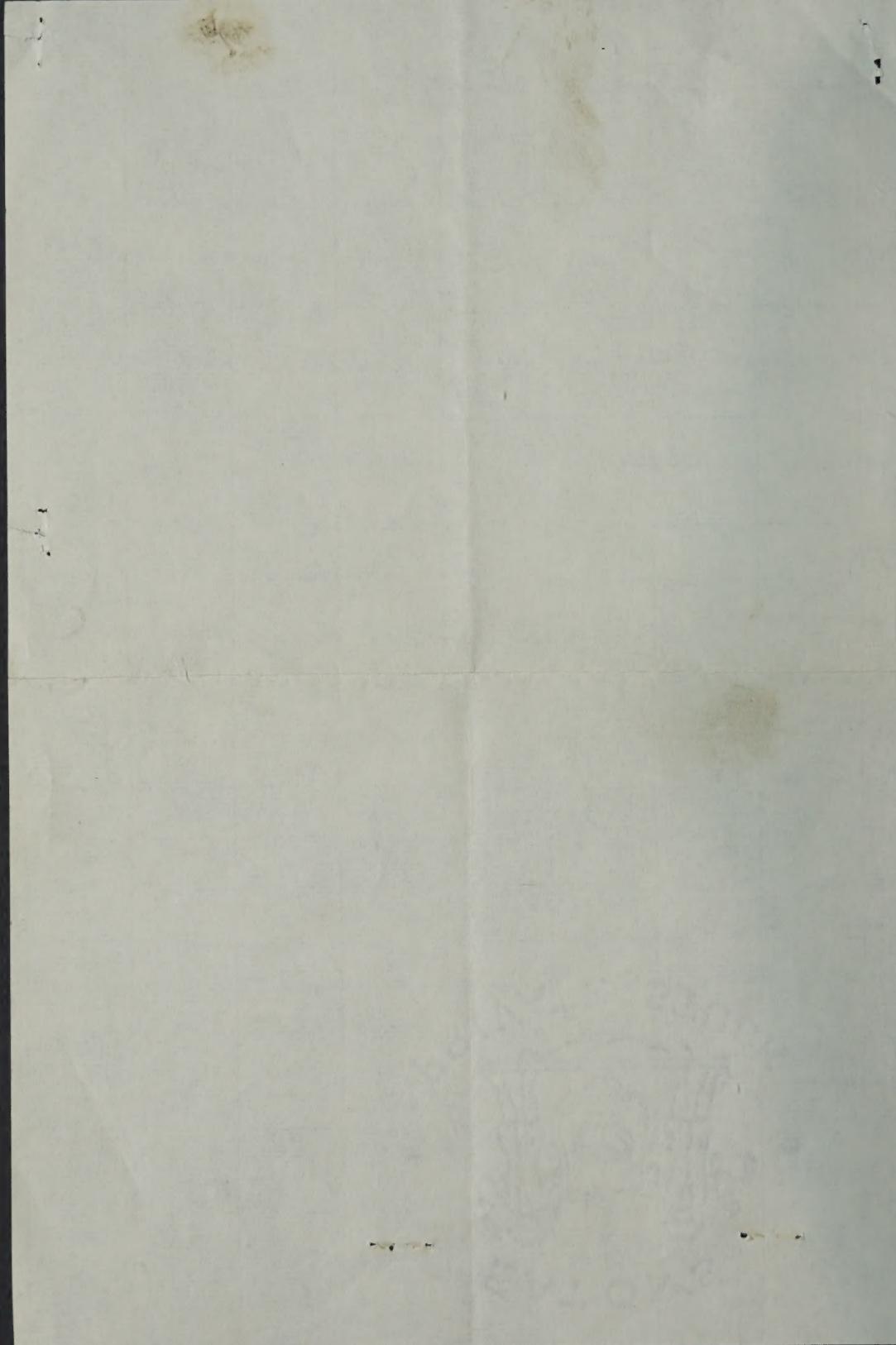
Sermon delivered at the Ordination of the Rev. John. B. Wight, 1815

From Appendix to the Annals of Wayland
page 99

"In this library are some rare old books among which are three folio volumes in old style type, bearing on the titlepage the words "London 1673", and containing inside the covers, in manuscript, the following words:—

These practical works of the late Rev^d and pious Mr. Richard Baxter, in four volumes, folio, are given in sheets by the Hon. Samuel Holdens, Esq. of London; and are bound at the charge of Mr. Samuel Sewell of Boston, merchant, for the use of the Church and Congregation in the East Precinct of the town of Sudbury, now under the care of the Rev. Mr. Cook, by the direction and disposal of the Rev. Mr. Benj. Colman, Pastor of a church in Boston.

Boston, July 19, 1731."



On Saturday, February 16, 1957, I
found these 3 volumes, and took
the liberty of putting them on the
bottom shelf of the book case in
the balcony. (behind the glass front.)

The books are just the best
- Uncle Bill has
done them in style

He has written the books
but does not do the illustrations



REPORT TO THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES ON THE GROWTH OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

You will recall that during the winter of 1952-53, you gave permission for me to look over and sort some of the old records and papers which were in the library. It was interesting to me to delve thru the old documents, some of them were of great value, some of them of less value, but of great historical interest and significance to Wayland. I was so deeply aware of the importance and significance of these records that I asked if I might come to the April meeting of the Library Trustees to report to you what was in the material. We discussed the possibility of starting an Historical Society. The Library Trustees agreed to sponsor such a society, and plans were made for the Trustees to send invitations to Wayland people to come to the Trustees meeting in June to consider starting such a Society. Mr Stacy Southworth, president of the Bay State Historical League was the speaker at this meeting. He told of different ways in which Historical Societies were started. After some discussion, the feeling of the group was that Wayland should have an Historical Society. Mr Stone made a motion which was seconded and approved that "Mrs Blair should choose a nominating committee of three, and that this nominating should present a slate of officers and a curator for the Historical Society at the Library Trustees meeting in September". Mrs Edwin B Damon and Mrs Kenneth Morrell agreed to serve as nominating committee with me. Mrs Morrell and I came to your September meeting and presented the following slate of officers and curator, which the Library Trustees approved:

Mrs Paul M Hamlen	President
Mrs Edmund H Sears	1st Vice-president
Mr George G Bogren	2nd Vice-president
Mrs Charles M Morgan	Secretary
Mrs John A Brownell	Treasurer
Mrs Kenneth Morrell)	Directors
Mrs Pierpoint Blair)	
Mrs Mabel S Draper	Curator

The next few months, the officers and curator spent in visiting many historical societies and in planning our own organization. On March 6, 1954 the articles of incorporation were signed and the Wayland Historical Society, Incorporated became an actuality. In the spring of 1954, the Library Trustees gave the Historical Society the privilege of using the Shaw room as its headquarters, and turned over to the Society the material which I had sorted. Mrs Draper has kept a most complete and comprehensive list of everything that has been given to the Society, as well as having catalogued all the printed material which is kept in a locked file. She is called upon constantly to locate information about all phases of old Wayland, houses, books, Indian locations, old roads, and most frequent of all old letters and documents which tie in with historical events in other towns.

The growth of the Society has been slow, but steady, both in scope of activity and membership. This past year, however, much progress has been made and a great deal accomplished over and above the interesting and entertaining meetings. Three examples of our 1955-56 endeavors should be noted.

1. The Society was very active in urging that Stone's Bridge should be saved, not only because of its historical significance, but because of its very unusual construction.
2. At the request of the School, Mrs Draper has worked out a program to take groups of school children to the historical landmarks in the town and familiarize the children with their stories. She is now working on a course in local history for the Junior High School.
3. The Society prepared and published "A Brief History of the Wayland Public

"Library" which is available for free distribution in the library.

We are most fortunate in having been able to acquire Miss Blanche Heard's house for our headquarters. With warm weather coming, we shall be able to carry out our plans to make the house ready for use. We have already received substantial gifts of money to enable us to do this work. Many members have volunteered manual labor for general cleaning. It is very rewarding that so many of the young people are taking a very active interest in the Society.

May I take this opportunity of thanking the Library Trustees for giving me the necessary backing to get the Society going, and on behalf of the Historical Society, I want to thank you so very much for giving us the use of the Shaw room. It has been a great privilege and we are deeply thankful.

Emily W. Blair -

A Series of Historical Papers
on Wayland published by
Dr. James S. Draper in the
"Waltham Free Press" at various
dates.

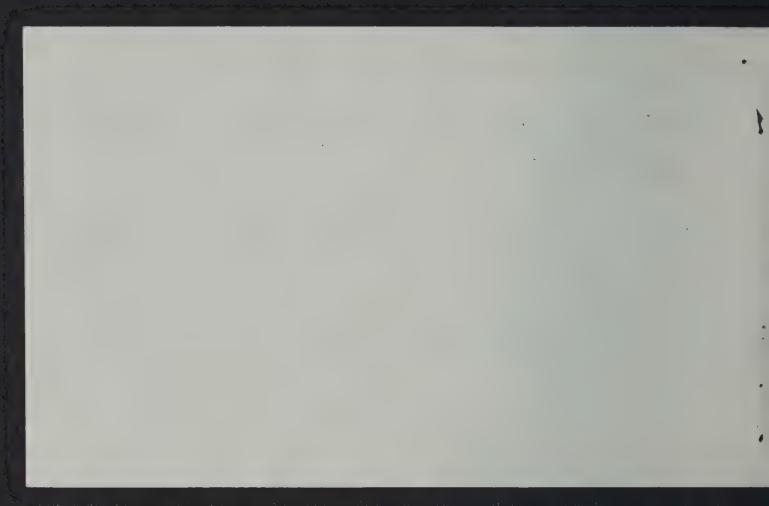
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Presented to the Wayland Free
Public Library. Feb. 3, 1868



Library Accessions Book
kept by James S. Draper, librarian
for 20 yr. —

Contains complete list of donations
also a copy of the names of subscribers
to the original library fund of \$500.

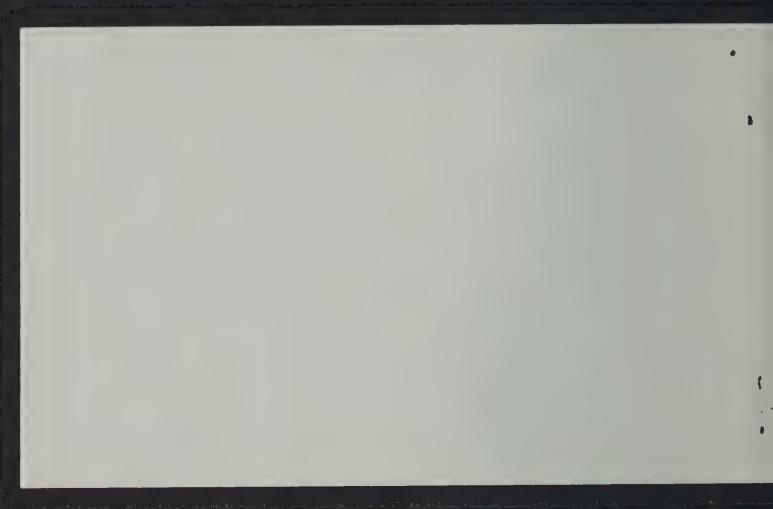


Vital Statistics

Wayland
Fitchburg.

These had no library labels

Now in Trustees room - Feb 53



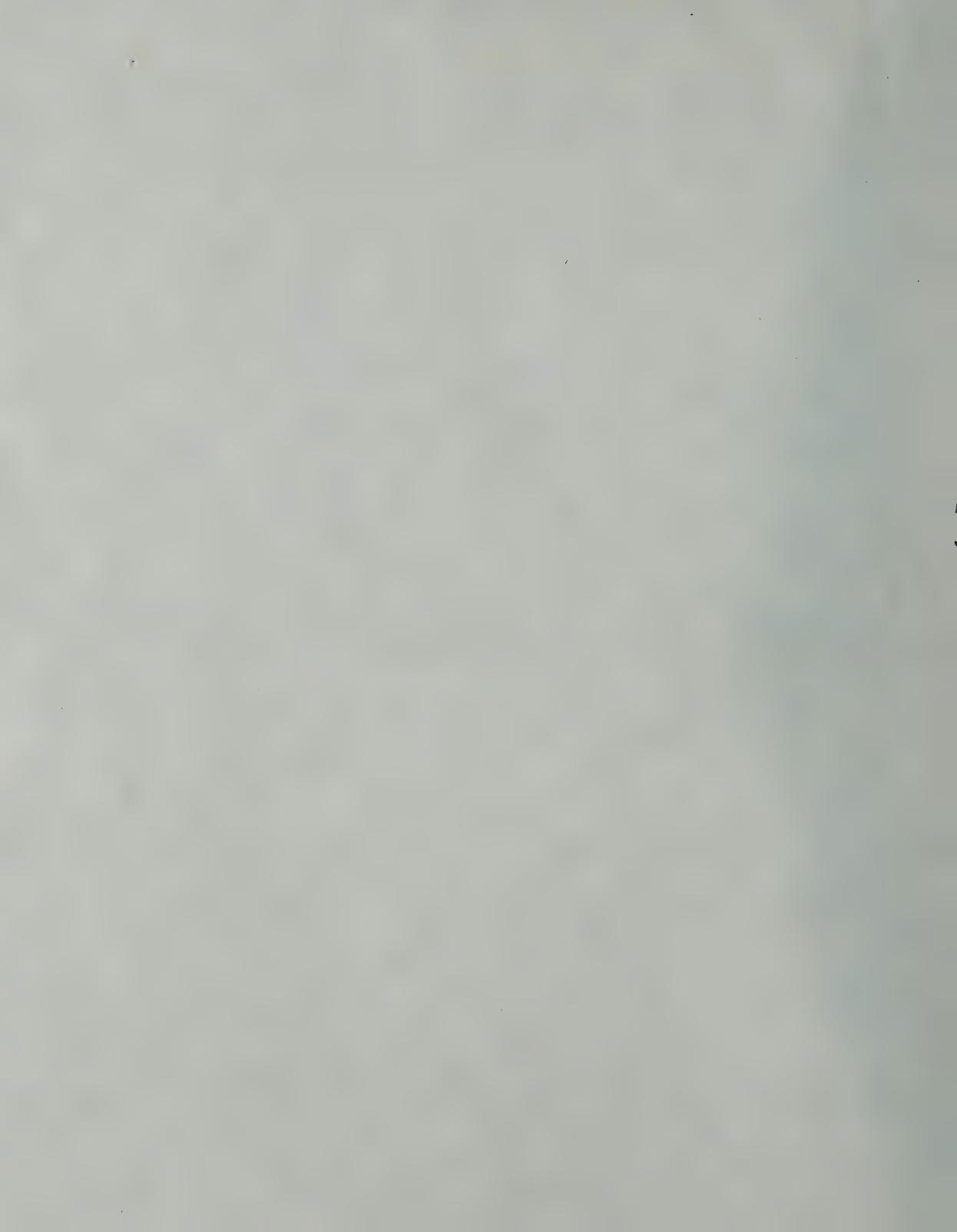
I have one more request to make. Will you tell Miss Ferris of the origins of the Historical Society or let her read the report I have enclosed? I think the little occurrence which I am going to mention would not have taken place, had she been aware of the early relationship between the Library Trustees and me.

Mrs Draper thinking that Miss Ferris would be interested in some of the early library records, took from our locked files some of Mr Draper's records etc to show her. (These were some of the early material turned over to us) There must have been some misunderstanding of Mrs Draper's intent, for Miss Ferris took the records from the Shaw room, upstairs. I enclose Mrs Draper's notes of the papers taken.

Mrs Draper was very troubled, feeling that she was not fulfilling her job as curator to have such a thing happen. She has really bent over backwards to try to safeguard everything that has been turned over to the Society.

As an indication of her care, let me tell you of a recent occurrence. Mrs Richard Boyden of Concord, who is in charge of the Women's Archives at Radcliffe, knowing that we had a great many of Lydia Maria Childs letters, came to us with the suggestion that we let them have the letters on loan, that they would put them in proper shape to be preserved, but when she saw the manner in which Mrs Draper has filed them, as well as the manner in which she has handled all the material, she withdrew her suggestion, as she felt that everything was being taken care of in a most careful and professional manner.

Zerelda W. Shaw



151 Plain Rd.
Wayland, Mass.

March 14, 1957

Dear Hugh

This turned out to be a massive lot of stuff for you to wade thro, and lacking the zip I could wish to be in it. I'll bring the personal element into it enough to explain that it has been put together under rather sad conditions- while I have been on watch with my old Uncle who is far from well. So please forgive the many typographical errors and other peculiarities.

In reading this stuff, please bear this in mind, there is absolutely no feeling of criticism of the library trustees of of Miss Ferris. I have known the library for nearly sixty years, and at no time has it been as well run and as attractive as it is now. Miss Ferris is doing a magnificent job. Furthermore many people have made the same remark to me.

In trying to assemble the sundry subjects I had on my mind, it seemed best to take each one separately. First of all, a report to the Library Trustees on the growth of the Historical Society, since you were so good as give give the necessary backing to me in April 1953.

The other two papers have to do with the subjects we discussed on the telephone.

Sincerely

Emily

Germans Preached In and
About Wayland 1772 - 1876

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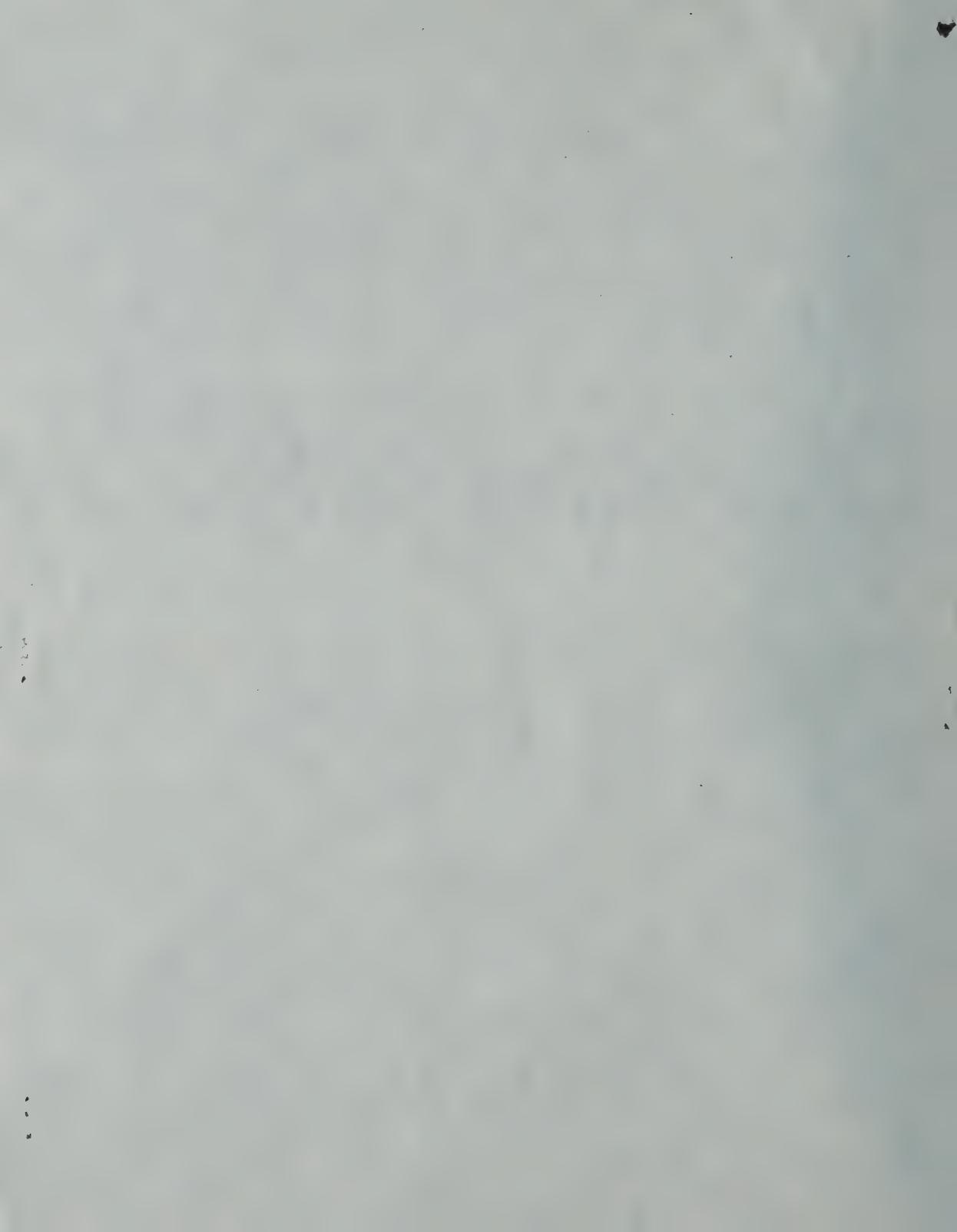
Contain the long-sought manuscript
Recollections - written by the
Rev. John B. Wight - copied by
Lydia Maria Child.



THOUGHTS ON POLICY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND HISTORICAL SOC.

At the time that the Historical Society was started, I had the impression that the library trustees felt that should material of historical interest be found in the library, it should be brought to their attention, and that they had authority to turn it over to the Historical Society if it seemed best. However I think we all realize the town has outgrown the word-of-mouth planning, and it is more satisfactory to have agreements and policy in written so that there is something definite at hand for future trustees and officers, to go on. Would you feel that a satisfactory plan would be for the a letter to be written to the Library Trustess from the Historical Society specifying the material found. You could then decide whether or not you wished to turn it over to the society for preservation, or place it somewhere in the library where it could be safeguarded. In both instances made available only on special request.

My reason for bringing this up, is because Mrs Draper has located some priceless material. Some of it has never been catalogued and was lying at random on the shelves. Now that it has been found, it would be too bad for these valuable things to slip out of sight again. Mrs Draper told Miss Ferris about the books she has recently found, but isn't this the type of things which should be presented to the trustees for their decision? These particular books are irreplaceable and I am enclosing Mrs Drapers notes about them.



We have similar material in the files, and Mrs Daper makes it available to people on request. Many of the programs for our meetings have been written from material in the library and our files.

There is another thought which I am going to present to you for consideration. Would you consider letting the Historical Society have things on loan? I have in mind some portraits and pictures which are now in the closet on the West balcony. These could be hung in Miss Heard's house with identification markers and recorded as being the property of the Library on loan to the Historical Society. Also there may be times when we would like to have books on loan to complete an exhibit.

Emily W. Baker

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54 Pamphlet (W.P.A.) Unitarian Church Records
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Unitarian Church

1940 Service

The First Parish 1640 - 1940 (Pamphlet)

Monthly Letters 1936

Tercentenary Reports. Wayland Chronicle 194

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Wayland Water Works

Report of Construction Comm. 1879

Report of Water Comm. 1903

Ledgers

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